

CLAIMS

I Claim:

1. An animal bed having a bed base, said bed base having a bed bottom and a bed top,
said bed top having a perimeter defining a shape of said bed base, and a bed filler
5 disposed between said bed bottom and said bed top, comprising:

at least one cylindrical bolster rail comprised of a rail pocket having at least one
corner opening, and at least one rail insert removably inserted through said corner
opening of said rail pocket thereby forming said bolster rail;

wherein each of said bolster rails is substantially the length of a side of said bed
10 top whereby each of said bolster rails is fixedly attached to each of the sides of said bed
top along a line interior to said perimeter of said bed top creating a substantially enclosed
border with said bolster rail around said perimeter of said bed top, whereby a rail crease
is formed at an interior juncture of each said bolster rail and said bed top whereby dirt
and debris from an occupant of said animal bed is contained along said rail crease.
- 15 2. The animal bed of claim 1, wherein the shape of said bed base is rectangular shaped.
3. The animal bed of claim 1, wherein the shape of said bed base is round wherein said
bolster rail is formed by one said rail pocket having one said corner opening and one said
rail insert removably inserted in said rail pocket through said corner opening, said bolster
rail thereby is in the shape of a circle.
- 20 4. The animal bed of claim 2, further comprising:

a bed pad, said bed pad approximately the shape of the substantially enclosed
border formed by said bolster rails and having at least one pad attach clip fixedly attached
to said bed pad, and;

at least one corner attachment means attached to said bed top interior to the substantially enclosed border formed by said bolster rails whereby said pad attach clips are attached to said corner attachment means securing said bed pad to said bed top.

5 5. The animal bed of claim 2, further comprising an opening on said bed bottom whereby said bed filler can be removed, said opening spans a width of said bed bottom, said opening has a top flap of fabric overlapping a bottom flap of fabric, said opening is securely closed by a Velcro™ strip disposed between said top flap and said bottom flap spanning the width of said bed bottom thereby fixably attaching said top flap to said bottom flap.

10 6. The animal bed of claim 5, further comprising at least one pair of bed closure straps having a first end having a first end connecting means disposed thereon, and a second end having a second end connecting means disposed thereon, wherein said first end is fixedly attached to said top flap of fabric and said second end is fixedly attached to said bottom flap of fabric such that after closure of said Velcro™ strip said first end connecting means connects to said second end connecting means further securing the closure of said bed bottom.

7. The animal bed of claim 1, further comprising a bed side wall wherein said bed side wall is placed perpendicular to said bed top while with the substantially enclosed border formed by said bolster rails and extending above said bolster rails, said bed side wall forming a continuous wall along the interior of said bolster rails.

8. The animal bed of claim 1, further comprising a bed cover, said bed cover comprising:
a domed cover piece;
at least one flexible cover support rib;

at least one security clip; and

at least one cover opening;

wherein said domed cover piece is maintained in a domed shape by said flexible cover support ribs bent in the shape of a dome and spanning under said domed cover piece from corner to corner, said opening is of a size large enough to allow a pet or animal to enter and exit said animal bed, and each said security clip is attached to each said corner connection ring of said bed top thereby securing said domed cover to said animal bed.

9. A method for cleaning an animal bed, said animal bed having a bed top, a bed bottom, and a bed filler disposed between said bed top and said bed bottom, bolster rails attached to said bed top and defining a perimeter of said animal bed, said bolster rails formed from a rail pocket having a rail insert removably inserted therein and creating a rail crease at the attachment point along each length of said animal bed to said bed top, said method comprising the steps of:

removing said rail insert from said rail pocket;

laying said rail pocket away from a center point of said bed top exposing said rail crease;

cleaning said rail crease to remove dirt and dander left by an occupying pet.

10. The method of claim 9, further comprising the steps of:

removing said bed filler; and

washing said animal bed in a clothes washing device.